

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6 - 14, 21 - 22 and 24 remain active in this application. Claims 16 - 20 have previously been canceled. Claims 1, 4, 6, 10, 11, 21 and 24 have been amended to rewrite claims 3, 6, 10, 15 and 23, in independent form. Claims 3, 5, 15, 23 and 25 have accordingly been canceled and claims 4, 7 and 24 have been correspondingly amended to revise dependency. Support for the amendments of the claims is found throughout the application, particularly in the claims as originally filed or previously presented and supporting disclosure indicated. No new matter has been introduced into the application.

The opportunity for discussion of further action in this application graciously extended by the Examiner on November 16, 2010, is acknowledged with appreciation. In the course of that discussion, the Examiner indicated that the application had been fully considered following the Decision on Appeal mailed October 28, 2010, and that prosecution would not be reopened. The Examiner requested that this amendment be filed to rewrite claims indicated to be allowable in independent form and to revise dependency for all retained dependent claims.

In the Decision on Appeal, the rejections asserted by the Examiner were reversed in regard to claims 3, 4, 10, 15, 23 and 24. The allowability (subject to being rewritten in independent form) of the subject matter of claims 6 - 9 and 12 - 14 was indicated in the final rejection mailed September 11, 2006. Therefore claims 6 - 9 and 12 - 14 were not involved in the Appeal. Accordingly, claims as to which the Examiner was reversed and the claims previously indicated to be allowable have been rewritten in independent form and the remainder of

the claims variously depend therefrom and are also allowable for that reason. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that this amendment clearly places the application in *prima facie* condition for allowance since the subject matter of all claims remaining in this application has been indicated to be allowable on the record of this application or by dependency. Accordingly, allowance of this application at an early date is respectfully requested.

If an extension of time is required for this response to be considered as being timely filed, a conditional petition is hereby made for such extension of time. Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Deposit Account No. 09-0458 of International Business Machines Corporation (Fishkill).

Respectfully submitted,



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